

# **Talent Management**

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## Background

 Problem: Maximize Army capabilities & capacity regardless of force structure and missions

#### Environment:

- Complex, unpredictable, unknowable world
- Fight with the Army we have leaders adapt to the problem
- Army does many things well
- Perception of sub-optimal retention, promotion, & assignment
- Ongoing efforts (OSD Force of the Future, 2-star TF, TRADOC)

#### Goals:

- Improve talent development
- Improve talent matching
- Stabilize or reduce costs



## **Findings**

- Limited understanding and ability to access unique talents
- Personnel system hinders cross-compo integration
- Past civilian reform efforts compromised by process



#### **Broad Proposals**

- For Civilians and Soldiers (Officers and Enlisted):
  - Education
  - Assessment & Evaluation
  - Assignments

#### Themes

- More rigorous education
- Better assess, identify, and track Army talent
- More merit-based, well-rounded promotions
- Less centrally managed Total Army assignments

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### **Proposals**

- Endorse 2-Star Talent Management TF & suggest topics (relook/combine OPMS/ADS XXI):
  - Soldier market-based assignment system
  - Methods to capture skills and capabilities (e.g. People Soft)
  - Integrating assessments into military schooling
  - Augmenting current promotion and evaluation system (external evaluations, career field proponent evaluations, other assessments, etc.)
  - A civilian line of effort

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#### **Proposals**

- Increase PME Rigor
  - Raise standards (recycles or failure ok)
  - Better integrate school results into boards (current AERs ineffective)
  - Attract better instructors (military and civilian)
- Give services promotion flexibility for broadening (DOPMA changes)

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